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## SALE OF GOLD MEDALLIONS EXTENDED UNTIL DECEMBER 31

The Treasury Department today announced that the sale of gold medallions through the U.S. Postal Service will be extended until December 31, 1980, unless the medallions are sold out earlier. The initial ordering period had been scheduled to end September 30, 1980.

As of September 23, 1980, 840,000 of the Marian Anderson half-ounce medallions and 321,000 of the Grant Wood one-ounce gold medallions remain available. There is a limit of three one-ounce and three half-ounce gold medallions per individual.

Order forms are available at any post office. Toll-free phone numbers are listed on the order forms for use in obtaining the daily prices of the medallions.

The Treasury Department said the ordering period was extended to provide further opportunity for those interested in purchasing the medallions.

The 1980 Gold Medallions are the first two in a series of ten gold medallions to be offered over the next five years under the American Arts Gold Medallion Act.

Other artists to be featured in the series include Willa Cather and Mark Twain in 1981, Frank Lloyd Wright and Louis Armstrong in 1982, Alexander Calder and Robert Frost in 1983, and John Steinbeck and Helen Hayes in 1984.

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